

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION) CASE NO. IPC-E-06-11
OF IDAHO POWER COMPANY FOR)
APPROVAL OF A FIRM ENERGY SALES) NOTICE OF APPLICATION
AGREEMENT FOR THE SALE AND)
PURCHASE OF ELECTRIC ENERGY) NOTICE OF MODIFIED
BETWEEN IDAHO POWER COMPANY) PROCEDURE
AND CASSIA GULCH WIND PARK, LLC)
ORDER NO. 30061

On April 20, 2006, Idaho Power Company (“Idaho Power” or “Company”) filed an Application with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of a Firm Energy Sales Agreement (the “Agreement”) between Idaho Power and Cassia Gulch Wind Park, LLC (“Cassia Gulch”) dated April 7, 2006.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Cassia Gulch proposes to design, construct, install, own, operate and maintain a 18.9 MW wind generating facility. Under the Agreement, Cassia Gulch would sell and Idaho Power would purchase electric energy generated by Cassia Gulch’s wind turbines located near Hagerman, Idaho. Under normal and/or average conditions, the project will not exceed 10 aMW on a monthly basis.

As represented, the Cassia Gulch facility will be a qualified small power production facility (“QF”) under the applicable provisions of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (“PURPA”). Idaho Power contends that the Agreement comports with the terms and conditions of Commission Order No. 29632 (*U.S. Geothermal et al v. Idaho Power*) and avoided cost Order No. 29646. The Agreement is for a 20-year term and contains the published non-levelized avoided cost rates set forth in Order No. 29646. Cassia Gulch has selected December 31, 2006 as the scheduled operation date for this facility.

Section 24 of the Agreement provides that the Agreement will not become effective until the Commission has approved all the Agreement’s terms and conditions and declared that all payments that Idaho Power makes to Cassia Gulch for purchases of energy will be allowed as prudently incurred expenses for ratemaking purposes.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Commission has reviewed the filings of record in Case No. IPC-E-06-11. The Commission has preliminarily found that the public interest in this matter may not require a hearing to consider the issues presented and that issues raised by the Company's filing may be processed under **Modified Procedure**, i.e., by written submission rather than by hearing. Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201-204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the **deadline for filing written comments or protests** with respect to Idaho Power's Application and the use of Modified Procedure in Case No. IPC-E-06-11 is **fourteen (14) days from the service date of this Order**.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that written comments concerning Case No. IPC-E-06-11 should be mailed to the Commission and the Company at the addresses reflected below.

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All comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via e-mail may do so by accessing the Commission's home page located at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the "Comments and Questions" icon, and complete the comment form, using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. These comments must also be sent to Idaho Power at the e-mail addresses listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its Order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application in Case No. IPC-E-06-11 may be viewed at www.puc.idaho.gov by clicking on "File Room" and "Electric Cases," or can be viewed during regular business hours at the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, 472 W. Washington Street, Boise, Idaho and at the general business office of Idaho Power Company, 1221 West Idaho Street, Boise, Idaho.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code. The Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 61.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq.*

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case be processed under Modified Procedure. Persons interested in submitting written comments regarding this case or protesting the use of Modified Procedure should do so no later than 14 days from the service date of this Order.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 1st
day of June 2006.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

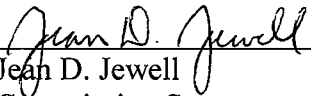


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